# SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

## **Licensing Sub-Committee**

### Meeting held 26 April 2016

**PRESENT:** Councillors Geoff Smith (Chair), George Lindars-Hammond and Cliff Woodcraft

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#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 No apologies for absence were received. Councillor Neale Gibson attended the meeting as a reserve Member, but was not required to stay.

#### 2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

2.1 RESOLVED: That the public and press be excluded from the meeting before discussion takes place on item 4 on the grounds that, if the public and press were present during the transaction of such business, there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

#### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

#### 4. HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING - INDIVIDUAL CASES

- 4.1 The Chief Licensing Officer submitted details in respect of three cases relating to hackney carriage and private hire licensing.
- 4.2 The applicant in Case No. 31/16 attended the hearing and addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.3 The applicant in Case No. 32/16 did not attend the hearing and, on the grounds that there had been no notice in terms of his non-attendance, the Sub-Committee considered the application in his absence.
- 4.4 The applicant in Case No. 33/16 attended the hearing with a representative and they both addressed the Sub-Committee.
- 4.5 RESOLVED: That the cases now submitted be determined as follows:-

<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Licence Type</u>	<u>Decision</u>
31/16	Application to renew a Private Hire Vehicle Licence	Refuse to grant a licence on the grounds that the applicant has not provided sufficient evidence to convince the Sub-Committee that there are exceptional reasons to deviate from the current policy relating to

the age limit of vehicles.

32/16 The Sub-Committee determined to grant a Application to renew licence to 28<sup>th</sup> June 2016, being the date on a Hackney Carriage which the vehicle becomes nine years of Vehicle Licence age. 33/16 Application to renew Refuse to grant a licence on the grounds that the applicant has not provided sufficient a Hackney Carriage Vehicle Licence evidence to convince the Sub-Committee that there are exceptional reasons to deviate from the current policy relating to the age limit of vehicles. However, in the light of the exceptional personal circumstances, as demonstrated by the applicant, and the Hackney Carriage Limitation Policy currently in place, the applicant be afforded until 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016, to purchase a newer vehicle.